B-3022 - B-3027 2-50 E. Montgomery St. (North side) Baltimore, Md. Private access 1795/1848-1876

The north side of the unit block of E. Montgomery St. is most noteworthy for containing 36 E. Montgomery St., the earliest (1795) surviving brick house in the Federal Hill area. The original two and a half story high, three bay wide house, with two dormer windows and belt course, is now in extreme disrepair, with the easternmost bay having collapsed and large sections of the roof missing. On either side of 36 E. Montgomery St. there were originally a number of early two and a half story houses, but these have all been razed, or replaced by later structures. The western section of the block was not improved until 1848 when a row of two story plus attic brick houses (2-12 E. Montgomery St.), and a row of three story, two bay wide, gable roofed houses (14-18, and 20 E. Montgomery St.) were built. At the eastern end of the block there is a group of large, three story, two bay wide Italianate-style townhouses, with shed roofs and bracketed cornices, built in the early 1870's. 50 E. Montgomery St. is a three story, three bay wide brick building with shed roof that until recently served a mixed commercial/ residential function. All of the houses in this block are currently unoccupied, but have recently been sold by the city to private owners and are awaiting renovation and rehabitation.

## MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

# INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

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EXCELLENT

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## DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This group of three story, gable roofed structures was built as a unit a few years after the neighboring group of houses, 2-12 E. Montgomery St. was built. Each house is two bays wide. The first floor of 14 E. Montgomery St. has been converted into a store-front.

The houses are a full three stories in height, 11' wide, and extend back on 58' deep lots.\*

They are constructed in running bond. The low-pitched gable roof has a tin covering. A double rectangular brick chimney is located along the partition wall between 16 and 18 E. Montgomery St.; the chimney that was formerly located along the east end of 14 E. Montgomery St. is gone. A simple brick cornice extends continuously across the facades.

The first floor door and window openings of 16-18 E. Montgomery and the second floor window openings of all three houses have segmentally arched brick lintels with solid wood tympanums. The sills are wood. The third story window openings of all three houses have flat wooden lintels and sills. No original sash remains and the openings are either boarded or plastered over. The first floor of 14 E. Montgomery St. has been converted into a store-front, with a deeply projecting Italianate cornice extending across the store-front area. The cornice consists of a deeply projecting crown molding supported by carved wooden brackets which connect it to a freize area decorated with scroll-sawed vine motifs. A modern door under a single light transom is to the left of a four-sided projecting shop window. The original glass panels of the shop window, however, have been plastered over. The houses sit on low basements, the entrances being reached by two wide stone steps. 16 -18 E. Montgomery St. have square-shaped coal openings located under the first floor windows.

In floor plan the houses are quite similar to the neighboring row at 2-12 E. Montgomery St., with a front and back room, each with a fireplace, and separated by tightly winding stairs leading to the upper floors and to the basement. The front room measures about 10 1/2' wide by 11' deep; the rear room measures 10 1/2' wide by 14' deep. The kitchen addition is about 7' wide by 12' deep. The ceilings on the first floor are almost 8 1/2' high; on the second floor they are 7 1/2' high; and on the third floor they are the same 7 1/2' high. The two second floor bedrooms in the main section of the house each have fireplaces and small built-in closets under the stairs leading to the third floor. Door and window moldings are totally plain, with no beading or bull's eye corner blocks. The first floor windows are quite tall, measuring 6' in height, and running almost to the floor of the parlor.

\*Each house is two rooms deep and has a two story high, two bay deep rear addition. 14 and 16 Montgomery still have their original paired rear end chimneys, located at the north end of the rear addition.



# 8 SIGNIFICANCE

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SPECIFIC DATES 1848-1851

BUILDER/ARCHITECT Samuel Clayton

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

These houses are significant as representing a full three story variation on the type of two story plus lattic house built by Clayton on the adjoining lots to the west, at 2-12 E. Montgomery St. The floor plan and size of the rooms is practically identical with that of the neighboring houses, the only difference being that the third story rooms have full height, 7 1/2' ceilings, instead of the sloping 6 1/2' to 5' ceilings of the attic story in the earlier houses. Generally, in the Federal Hill area three story, gable roofed houses built primarily for a working class group of tenants, are not the rule. Most builders preferred the two story plus attic plan, with three story houses serving as combination residences/store-fronts, or for larger, more substantial housing for a middle class market.

This group of houses is currently being offered for sale by the City to private owners and will hopefully soon be restored.

# 9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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HISTORIC PRESERVATION — PART 1

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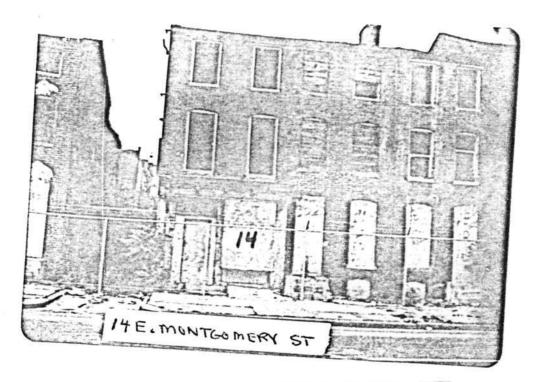
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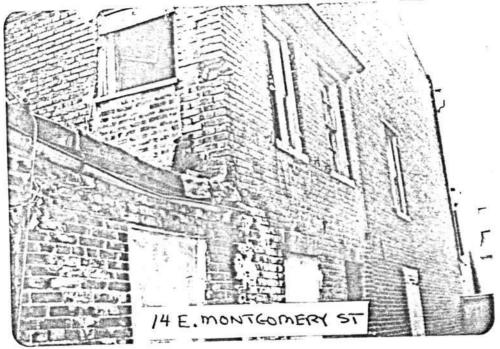
The interior has a fireplace in the first floor front room and two on the second floor. The flooring is random width oak planking. The original stairway was removed from the main building around 1890 when the two story addition was constructed.

## #3 Continued

36 E. Montgomery Street, the John Edgar Howard Mansion, were restoration has just been completed and National Register listing is pending. Prints for 14 E. Montgomery Street have been approved by the Design Standard Review Committee for Fellspoint and Federal Hill headed by Dr. James Criag. For further information you can contact:

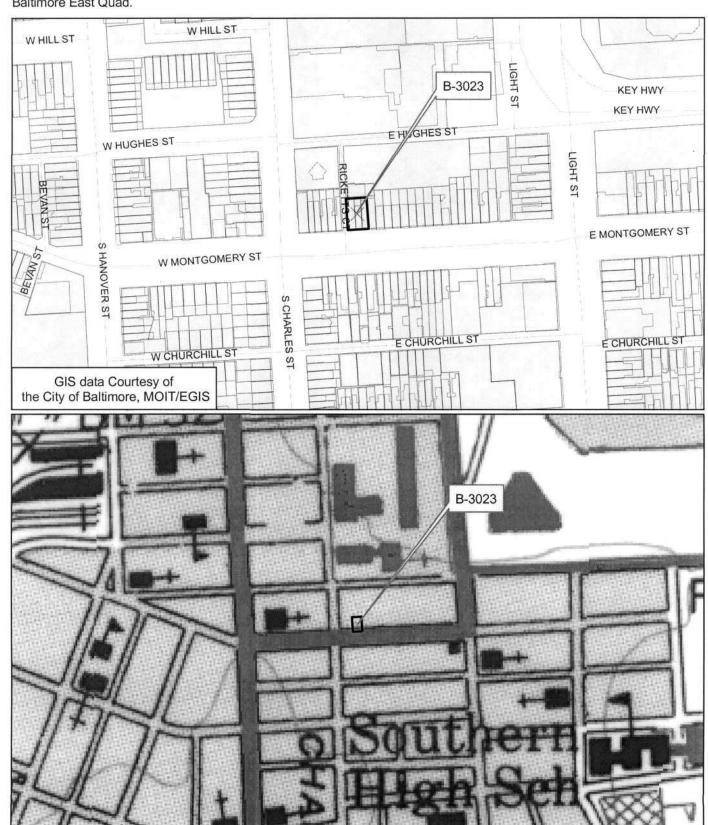
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